

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 887

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Gordon E. Wright, Sr. of Blount County.

WHEREAS, it was with a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our State learned of the passing of Gordon E. Wright, a gentleman of the highest honor and virtue; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wright was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a talented public servant, Mr. Wright served on the Blount County Commission for many years as the 8th District representative; and

WHEREAS, Gordon Wright dedicated himself to many projects to improve the lives of the people of Blount County, and he particularly supported the restoration of Laurel Lake and conversion of the closed, one-lane bridge in Kinzel Springs into a covered bridge for pedestrians and bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, our colleagues, Representative Bob Ramsey and Senator Doug Overbey, enjoyed the great pleasure of serving with Mr. Wright on the Blount County Commission and consider him to have been a person of integrity, who embodied the values of hard work, loyal friendship, faith, and family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wright's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader was directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Gordon Wright was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wright leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Gordon E. Wright, Sr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Wright.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.